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GIFT MEMBERSHIP AT THE LONDON LIBRARY A CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR BIBLIOPHILES

Membership of The London Library is the perfect Christmas gift for book lovers, providing access to over 1 million books in over 2000 subjects and 50 languages, plus free access to 750 magazine and periodical subscriptions. The beautiful library building is located in the heart of St James's Square in London's Piccadilly and is a hub for writers, scholars and bibliophiles alike.

The unique collection spans books from the 16th century to the present day with 8,000 new books added every year. 97% of the collection can be freely browsed on 15 miles of open access shelving making it a wonderful place to spend hours enjoying the serendipity of searching the collection. Members can also make use of the very generous book loan periods and no fines policy.

Member benefits include a postal loans service enabling books can be sent to members anywhere in the UK and Europe, remote access to extensive electronic resources from magazine subscriptions to electronic archives such as JSTOR, beautiful Wi-Fi equipped reading rooms, quiet spaces for reading and relaxation, and a quarterly members' magazine.

Past and present members of the Library include Agatha Christie, Charles Darwin, Charles Dickens, Virginia Woolf, Winston Churchill, George Bernard Shaw, Siegfried Sassoon, Simon Callow, Stephen Fry and Sir Tom Stoppard amongst others. Membership of this historic literary oasis is open to everyone.

Annual fee is £475 per annum or £238 for those aged 16-24. Generous discounts on spouse/partner memberships are also available and payment can be spread over 12 affordable payments.

Membership Gift Vouchers can also be purchased as an ideal way of contributing towards the cost of a London Library membership for a friend or family member and are available in denominations of £50 and £100.

Gift membership purchases may be made at www.londonlibrary.co.uk/christmas

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Editor notes:

About The London Library

The London Library was founded in 1841 by Thomas Carlyle. Today it has 7,000 members and is entirely funded by membership fees and donations. Membership is open to everyone.

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